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SUBJECT:TROPICAL PRODUCTS OFFER: REMAINING POLICY QUESTIONS

1. A NUMBER OF AGENCIES OBJECT TO THE TABLING OF OUR GLOBAL
OFFER BEFORE THE MAY 15 DATE AGREED AT THE LAST TROPICAL
PRODUCTS MEETING SINCE IT WILL APPEAR THAT THE U.S. HAS
YIELDED TO LDC BLOC PRESSURES. THEY FEAR THAT YIELDING
ON THIS POINT WILL ENCOURAGE MORE SUCH PRESSURES. THESE
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AGENCIES DO SUPPORT SPECIFIC CLARIFICATIONS OF OUR INDI-

VIDUAL OFFERS EITHER THROUGH A GENERAL STATEMENT OR BY ADDITIONAL INDIVIDUAL SUBMISSIONS. HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF MTN DEL'S FIRST HAND KNOWLEDGE OF TACTICAL SITUATION THESE AGENCIES ARE WILLING TO ACCEPT MTN DEL'S DECISION. IF MTN DEL DECIDES TO TABLE GLOBAL OFFER THESE AGENCIES WOULD APPRECIATE REPORT ON CONSIDERATIONS WHICH OUTWEIGHED ABOVE OBJECTIONS.

2. A NUMBER OF AGENCIES ALSO SUGGESTED WE INDICATE MAXIMUM PERCENTAGE REDUCTION (100 OR 60) AS OPPOSED TO RESULTING DUTIES. THIS WOULD ELIMINATE PROBLEM OF ROUNDING AND MAKE IT EASIER TO LIMIT OFFER IF ADEQUATE CONTRIBUTIONS FROM LDCS NOT FORTHCOMING. IF RESULTING DUTIES ARE SUPPLIED, NO ROUNDING SHOULD BE DONE. THEREFORE, IN CERTAIN CASES RESULTING AD VALOREM DUTIES WILL BE IN TWO DECIMAL PLACES AND SPECIFIC DUTIES IN THREE

3. FOR SPECIFIC AND COMPOUND DUTY RATES: IN CASES WHERE PUBLIC LIST INDICATES MAXIMUM DUTY REDUCTION TO ZERO IS POSSIBLE, MAXIMUM CUT SHOULD BE INDICATED. FOR OTHER SPECIFIC DUTIES, 60 PERCENT REDUCTION SHOULD BE TAKEN OFF SPECIFIC DUTIES. THERE SHOULD BE NO CONVERSION TO AD VALOREM EQUIVALENCES. KISSINGER

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